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District to endure massive personnel cuts

Molly Tippen
Staff Writer

Romulus School Board trustees unanimously approved a \$3.1 million deficit reduction plan that includes the layoff of at least 47 teachers, paraprofessionals, aides, bus drivers and administrative staff at their regular meeting last week.

The cuts came to light after the district analyzed the budget for the upcoming school year, taking into account a \$175 increase in state aid and escalating retirement and health care costs.

School board member Celeste Roscoe called the cuts "difficult."

"This was the hardest thing I've had to do in four years on the board," she said. "It never feels good to make a decision to lay people off because these are people that live in the community, and they have to work."

The cutbacks come at a time when the 4,300-student district is trying to lure pupils back from

charter schools and public schools that accept students from outside districts, said Dick Kruse, a spokesman for Romulus Community Schools.

"Unfortunately, we had to take this action," he said. "We haven't had layoffs in several years, and we did the best we could to keep the cuts away from students."

Included among the layoffs are seven teachers, which will save the district \$423,850; four social workers, which will save \$327,200; five media technicians, which will save \$215,000; one school nurse, which will save \$96,700 and three custodians, which will save another \$180,780.

Jason Salhaney, a teacher at Halecreek Elementary School and the president of the Romulus Education Association, said the cuts will have an immediate impact on students.

"The obvious thing that will happen is that there will be larger class sizes," he said. "But the thing that we're mostly concerned

School cuts at a glance

Layoffs:

7 teachers
4 social workers
3 speech therapists
5 media tech jobs
3 custodians
3 secretaries
1 school nurse
1 MEAP coordinator
2 paraprofessionals
1 transportation secretary
1 lab technician
7 lunch aides
8 parent coordinators
Unspecified number of fill-in bus drivers
Unfilled positions left vacant:
1 video tech position
1 paraprofessional
1 Technology director
1 principal at Community High School

Programs eliminated:

Eliminate transitions program
Eliminate after school and Saturday detentions
Eliminate post-athletic event bus runs
Eliminate employee recognition events
Reduce athletic budget
Reduce board, teacher development seminars

Miscellaneous cuts:

Eliminate lobbying services
Reduce school board stipends
Reorganize transportation schedule
Reduce overtime payments
Reduce number of co-op students
Reduce attorney fees
Reduce salary for public relations
Reduce building supply budget
Source: Romulus Education Association (REA), Romulus Community Schools

with is losing the school nurse. She travels from school to school, and she offers a valuable service to the students."

This is also the first time in recent memory that the district

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Schools appoint 2 principals

Molly Tippen
Staff Writer

Employee buyouts and attrition made way for two new principals to take the helms of Romulus and Wick elementary schools.

Marjie McAnally and ShaVonna Johnson will take over the day-to-day operations at Romulus and Wick schools, respectively. The pair both have long histories in the Romulus Community School District and will assume their new assignments in August 2006.

The seven-member Romulus Community School board voted unanimously to make the appointments at their May 23 meeting. McAnally will replace Lynne Mossoian, who accepted a new position with Northville schools, and Johnson will replace Debbie Juriga, who is retiring.

Dick Kruse, a spokesman for the district, said both educators are deserving of their new positions.

"We're glad they're aboard," he said.

McAnally's career in Romulus

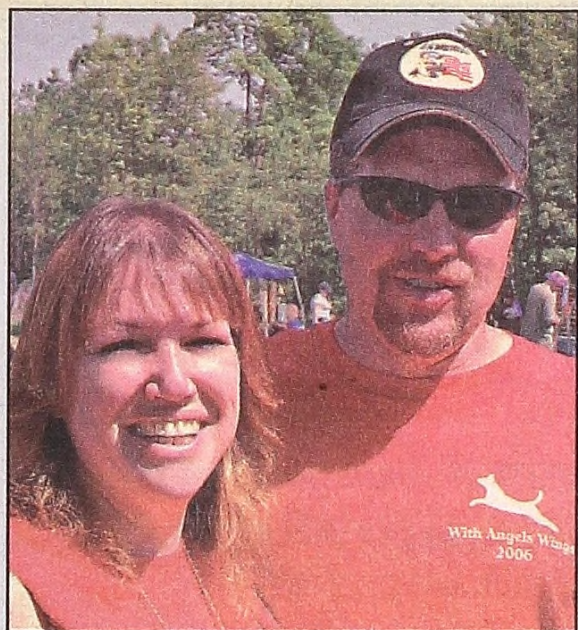
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Going to the dogs

Area residents and their furry companions crowded into the first annual "With Angels Wings" canine expo and showcase at Currey's Family Pet Care in Romulus May 27. There, dogs competed in dock diving competitions and other events. Though one of the goals was to have a good time, the other was to bring attention the sacrifices of local soldiers by raising money for the construction of a statue of Specialist Donald Roy McClure, who was killed in Iraq 19 months ago. Organizer Patrick Currey, above left, plays with Angus while event organizer Darcy Monier, at right, McClure's mother, poses with Currey.



Library announces new summer programs

Molly Tippen
Staff Writer

Once the excitement of not having to go to school wears off, children often whine that they're bored.

The Romulus Public Library thinks they have the cure for boredom among teens in the summer reading program called "Paws, Claws, Scales and Tales."

Designed for small children up to pre-teens, the six-week summer reading program has events scheduled every week that will help participants learn more about animals and science.

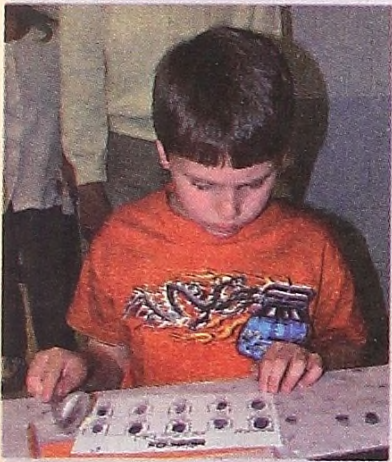
On June 21, the "Beasties Down Under" lecture brings interactive tools to the library to help create the atmosphere in Australia. Marcy Walsh, a nationally-recognized authority on the country, will

present the material to the children.

On June 27, the Super Science Program will allow children to participate in several experiments to help foster a better understanding of the sciences.

Michigan author Ron Meyer will come to the library on July 5 with an interactive, computer-

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Students experience hands-on lessons

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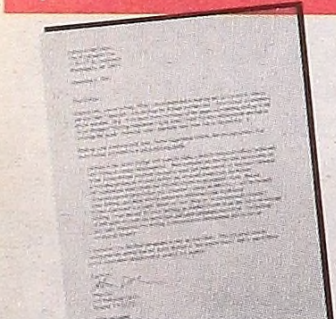
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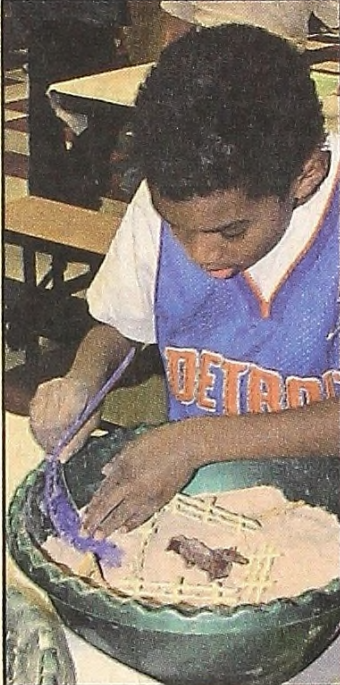
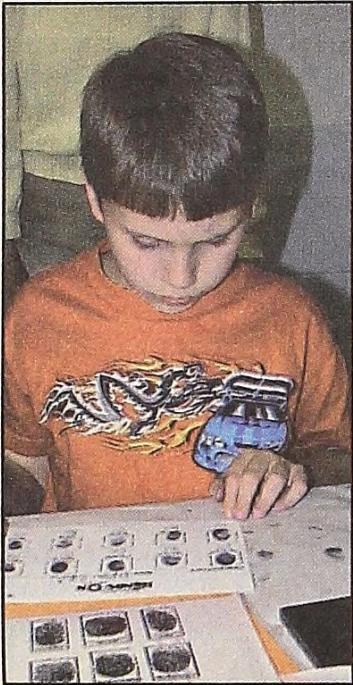
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Hands-on fun

Edgemont Elementary School in Belleville recently hosted the Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum during a 'Math and Science Night'. More than 300 students, parents and teachers filled the school cafeteria to have fun while learning about math and science. Several exhibits were on display including: owl pellets, geometry, meteor shower, slime time and plate tectonics/quake shake. Dyllan Rafail (left) studied his finger prints at an exhibit called "Dirty Fingers." Justin Corley (right) measured the crater he made with a "meteor." Rachel Lange and Chaney Jones (above) worked on structures made of plastic sticks and mini-marshmallows to test them on the "quake board" for stability.



'Sizzlin' concerts set

Van Buren Township will soon be vibrating to the sounds of the season during the fifth annual Sizzlin' Summer Nights concert series.

The Van Buren Township Parks and Recreation Department will host the series at 7 p.m. starting Friday, July 14. Performances are scheduled every Friday night at Van Buren Park, located on the S. I-94 Service Drive between Belleville Road and Rawsonville Road.

For the last five years, the program has offered a variety of music for everyone to enjoy. This year is no different, according to Jennifer Morris, deputy director of recreation and facilities for the township.

This year the performers will include Rich Eddy's Rockin' Oldies Band, the Belleville Community Band, COHORT, Twistin' Tarantulas and Crossroads.

Rich Eddy's Rockin' Oldies Band will begin the series with a performance on July 14. The award-winning duo—James Davis and Don Hails—are responsible for all the music that the audience will hear. Every instrument sound is played by them and reproduced during their live show.

The Belleville Community Band will follow on July 21. This group was formed about 20 years ago and now includes 75 members from the area. The band will

grace the stage with music ranging from sounds of classical and holiday to patriotic. The group instruments vary with a large brass section accompanied with percussions.

Cohort will perform on July 28. The group has been together for many years playing at various venues throughout the Metro Detroit area. The band has an extensive list of songs like oldies "Great Balls of Fire," classic rock "Give Me Three Steps," and favorites "Margaritaville."

On Aug. 4, Twistin' Tarantulas will perform their rockabilly with their own 'twist.' Lead singer 'Pistol' Pete Midtgard and the band members have been together for about 15 years. Their music has taken them to numerous places around the world and the U.S., including Alaska, Key West, Helsinki and Los Angeles.

Crossroads will perform Aug. 11 to close out the series. The group—Tom Ruttan, Janel deVries, Glenn Falls, Ross Rhodes and Norm Oke—will deliver a contemporary and classic country with a bit of rock and oldies in the mix. The band uses a variety of sounds such as guitars, drums, bass and the group signature sound—fiddler and mandolin picker.

There is a \$3 park entry fee per car. For more information, call the township parks and recreation department at (734) 699-8921.



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Jennifer Hawkins, the deputy associate director of the White House Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives, poses with Tammy Wilson, the owner of Vintage.

Store helps poor women dress well

Molly Tippen
Staff Writer

It's hard to help people out, especially when federal and state safety nets are shrinking.

But a Romulus woman found a way to do just that last month when she opened Vintage, a retail consignment clothier on Goddard Road in downtown Romulus. Now, that store – and the concept of helping low income women – is getting some recognition on a federal level with a visit from Jennifer Hawkins, the deputy associate director of the White House Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives.

Tammy Wilson, the owner of Vintage, opened the store as a means to help low income women tap into a good wardrobe to go to work, school, church, or other activities. Wilson, who is married to a minister in Detroit, said the store is a conventional business, but one that will help women in need find affordable alternatives to the mall.

"Women need these things to feel good about themselves,"

she said. "It's a necessity, and this part of a ministry that I believe in. There's so many people in need out there."

Vintage officially opened doors last month. To start the business, Wilson began to take a look at her over-stuffed closet. Then, she turned to her friends.

"Charity really starts at home," she said. "I hope knowing the store is here will encourage people to donate what they can't use or no longer want for someone else to use. We're really hoping this works."

There is a need in western Wayne County – an area that is dogged with high unemployment and an atmosphere that is not favorable to people looking for work, especially those without a high skill level. The clothing at Vintage is not free, but Wilson said she made sure the prices there are affordable – and that the clothing on the racks is undamaged. She hopes the concept of the store turns into a charity like the one she runs at her husband's church.

Many Vintage shoppers are

single mothers who are looking for work, said Wilson.

Though Vintage is a small establishment, what it can offer to the community is big, said Hawkins, who was in Detroit visiting various charities and services in southeast Michigan.

"I think this store is good example of what we're trying to achieve at a federal level," she said. "This is something created in the community that will be self-sustaining, which means its owners will never have to worry about having their federal funding reduced, or getting this grant or that grant. When something is self-fulfilling, its likely to last. We'd like to see this replicated throughout the country."

Wilson said her clientele of poor women and those just looking for a bargain is steadily increasing. What she said she finds most rewarding is helping women in transition.

"I was a single mother before I got married, and I know how difficult it is out there," she said. "We're trying to give those women a helping hand."

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began seven years ago when she was hired to teach fifth grade at Halecreek Elementary. She later

taught sixth grade and the same school, and also fifth and sixth grades at Romulus Elementary. McAnally also served as a grant facilitator and North Central Accreditation chairperson. She earned her master's degree in Educational Leadership from

Central Michigan University.

Johnson's background is equally impressive. She began her tenure in Romulus four years ago at Wick, where she taught fourth grade. She achieved a considerable feat when 100 percent of her students passed the Michigan

Cuts

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has spent the fund equity, Kruse said.

"We haven't seen this situation in a long time," he said. "It's indicative of the way things are right now, costs for things like utilities are going up, and the additional state funding does not cover that."

District figures say the schools are pay \$40 more per student for utilities and gasoline, \$70 for heating, \$140 for teacher raises, \$80 for health care costs, and

\$110 for retirement. That equals \$440 per student – a shortfall of more than \$265 per student, per year once the \$175 increase in state aid is collected. All of those things contributed to the financial outlook, Kruse said.

Another factor is the loss of students. District estimates they may have lost more than 750 students – and the foundation allowance that goes with them.

Salhaney said he and other union members are worried the schools are not doing enough get those students back.

"It's the union's position that the district is not doing enough to find alternative funding, or

enough to combat the charter schools in the area," he said. "We've tried to give them suggestions, like naming rights for facilities, more grant applications, things like that."

"We understand the state aid issues, and the increasing costs – we've worked hard as a union to help them with that," Salhaney said. "We got a 2 percent split raise – that's far below the rate of inflation. We also changed our health care to help out."

Kruse said an emphasis will be placed on retaining students. He also said the cuts are based on the assumption that the schools won't lose any more stu-

IKEA to open doors in Canton Township

Kevin Hill
Staff Writer

The new welcome sign in Canton Township reads "IKEA."

The former farming community will become a regional commercial magnet at 9 a.m. Wednesday when Swedish furniture giant IKEA opens the newest store.

"This is Canton's opening of a Broadway show, so to speak," said Trustee Karl Zarbo. "This is the first clear destination-type of tenant that we have."

The 311,000 square-foot store, located at Ford and Haggerty roads on the site of the former K-Mart, is expected to draw 2 million shoppers a year from across Michigan, northern Ohio and western Ontario. It is the first IKEA in Michigan and 28th in the U.S. and will have a staff of 400 working in showrooms, warehouse and Swedish restaurant.

Canton and IKEA security will also be keeping tabs on those arriving early for the opening festivities: a day or two early, that is. A sign posted on IKEA entrance informs customers they are allowed to line up starting Monday.

The first 100 adults in line will receive a free armchair and the first 100 children younger than 18 will get a free heart-shaped cushion. The first 5,000 visitors will get

an envelope with a random prize inside, including vouchers ranging from \$10 to \$250. Visitors throughout the entire opening weekend can enter to win one of 10 \$1,000 gift cards.

Lt. Robert Kerr said Canton police are coordinating with the Michigan Department of Transportation to help control traffic near IKEA safely. Tens of thousands of shoppers are expected to motor into the township from I-275, where construction work will be halted during the entire opening weekend.

Personnel from other jurisdictions, including six Michigan State troopers, will help control traffic on Ford and along I-275. Westland, Northville and Van Buren Township are providing two motorcycle patrols each. The Wayne County Sheriff's office is providing four for the grand opening.

Township Supervisor Tom Yack said those who use Ford Road daily should take the opening traffic with a grain of salt.

"It's not going to be representative of the way IKEA traffic will impact the community in the future."

According to IKEA, after three months the traffic should settle into a more conventional pattern, with 65-75 percent of their business occurring on weekends.

Library - Events aimed at children

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based program about wild animals.

Garry Dunn will and his arachnid friends will crawl into the library on July 11 for the Insect, Spider and Minibeast Program for young and aspiring entomologists.

On July 19, Denise Guten-schwager will present clown storytelling for young people.

Paws with a Cause, a national organization that trains dogs and other animals to assist people with

disabilities, will show children how many everyday tasks animals can take on. The Paws presentation will take place on July 25.

Reading will also be a big part of the event, and the children who read the most books will win a prize on Aug. 2. Refreshments will be served on that day as well.

All programs begin at 1 p.m. registration begins on June 5, and seating is limited.

For more information, call the Romulus Public Library at (734) 942-7589.

Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) math test Johnson facilitated the summer Jump Start program to help at-risk students pass the test. She earned her master's degree in education from Waldon University in Minnesota.

Both McAnally and Johnson

will continue teaching their classes and will work directly under the current principals to ensure a smooth transition for both schools, Kruse said.

Combined, about 800 students attend Romulus and Wick schools.

dents.

They won't know that until after the 2006-07 school year begins. A new kindergarten through fifth grade charter school is opening in Taylor, and nearby Wayne-Westland Schools is again offering schools of choice.

Salhaney said Romulus Schools should also consider schools of choice. "It's a gamble, because then we may have students leave, but I think we have a good program here, and I think we'd get more than we'd lose," he said.

Superintendent Joel Carr – an outspoken foe of schools of choice – will retire in August. There's no

indication that Carl Weiss, the man hired to replace Carr, will advocate a change. Weiss is the current deputy superintendent of Dearborn 7 Schools, which offers schools of choice.

The board approval of the cuts allows the four unions in the district and the administration to work out a plan to thin expenses. Most employees will be laid off according to seniority in a given discipline based on district needs, Salhaney said.

Romulus Community Schools was able to avoid layoffs last year by offering buyouts to several long-term employees. That saved the district about \$1 million.

OPINION

Send us your letters... some of them anyway

Well, another election season is upon us and that means there will be plenty of discussion about the many important issues facing the State of Michigan and western Wayne County.

At least we hope so.

Since many citizens are apt to fire off a letter about these issues, and since we want to encourage that type of interaction, this might be a good time to fully explain our letters policy here at *The Journal Newspapers*.

We will make every effort to fit in letters from readers, but we do have a few guidelines that can ease the frustration for all parties.

First of all, local is the key. We want letters from local people about local or state issues. We won't print chain letters from the Republican or Democratic party or the Save the Manatee crowd from Florida. Manatees might be wonderful, majestic animals, but you just don't see too many in these parts.

It is an election season and we want to hear what everyone thinks about the ballot proposals that will crowd the November ballot. We don't, however, want to serve as a convenient messenger service for any candidates for office. Our staff will cover the races and the people in them, of course, we just ask that the candidates come up with their own campaign literature or buy an advertisement. Likewise, letters supporting a particular candidate or opposing another will be met lukewarmly and at best given a lower priority.

Length is always an issue. We don't want to limit anyone's expression, but we do need to keep letters at a reasonable length. We have recently received letters that have included many salient points, but at more than 1,000 words, there's not a whole lot we can do with them without doing a major 'hack job,' and it's important to treat your opinions with the utmost respect. We ask that letters be a maximum of 300 words. We reserve the right to edit them for space—a right we'll use sparingly and only if it does not change the tone of the letter. We want to include as many viewpoints as possible and to help ensure that we will make our writers compose shorter columns to leave more space for you.

Some newspapers print anonymous letters, others do not. We are not necessarily opposed to printing them, but we have to have a very good reason. We also need the name and telephone number of the writer and their signature for verification purposes. Generally, though, we think opinions have more impact with names attached to them.

Thank you letters are welcome, as long as they don't go overboard. Ask yourself, is it important to individually thank every single person involved in a noteworthy event, or can you identify the key players and add the tagline: and more volunteers than we can name.

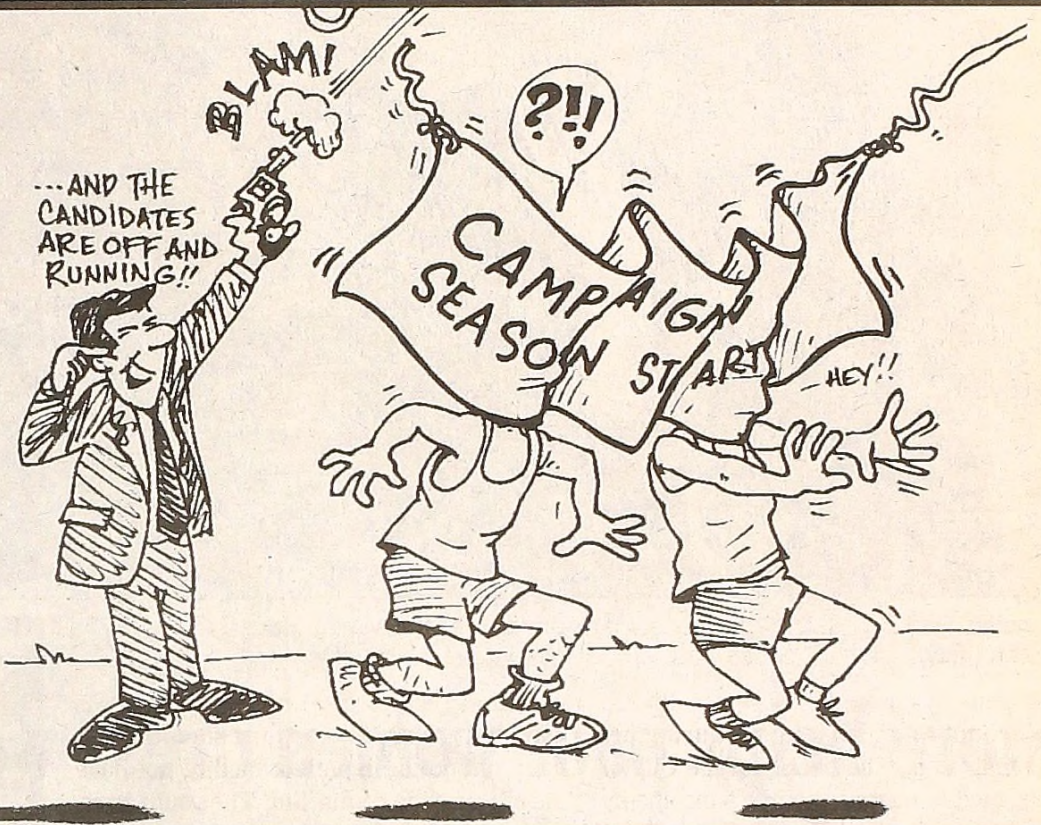
There are a couple letters that we won't print. We don't need to hear about it every time someone gets bad service in a restaurant, for example. Let's face it: everyone runs into a greasy potato cake every now and then, or a cold French fry.

The final rule comes to us from one of our readers. His letter, printed in full, reads like this:

To the editor:

I suggest you consider more carefully the language used by your writers. The use of "friggin" in Kevin Hill's article, "Art may soothe..." is entirely unneeded and inappropriate. I suspect both the editors and writer are unfamiliar with the word's definition, masturbation or intercourse. Then, too, perhaps that's the image you wish to convey to your readers.

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A loss that will hurt our community

A fifth grader at Hoover Elementary School in Wayne faced the looming shadow of a police officer; tears bubbling in her eyes.

She wasn't in trouble, though—just the opposite. She and dozens of other children and their parents crowded into the school gym to celebrate another D.A.R.E. graduation.

The police officer's name was Ken Spratke and the girl's name, well, was both not important and very important at the same time.

It was not important because her story was similar—if a little more extreme—to the others read during the graduation.

It was because the young girl was a Wayne resident, one of several who could be impacted by budget cuts proposed at the city.

But I'll get to that a little later.

Spratke understood the girl's dilemma. It's tough to do anything in front of that many people, particularly read a touching essay about family problems that came out of drug abuse. He kept her at his side, arm gently on her shoulder, while he slowly read the essay for her.

She talked about how the D.A.R.E. program had helped her realize these things and would help her

stay strong in the future, to be her own person.

The applause at the end was justifiably loud.

It's too bad there were no city officials there to see it. They had been invited, of course, and not all of them are busy with day jobs. It might have given a little different perspective when they look at proposed budget cuts next week.

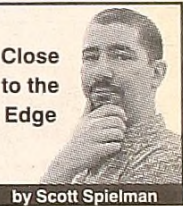
The proposed budget cuts in Wayne could force a reorganization in the police department, effectively eliminating the program and reassigning Spratke to road patrol.

I think that would be a mistake.

Police Chief John Williams himself said that if anything had to go, the D.A.R.E. program might be the most expendable. Many departments are moving away from it, after all, and its effectiveness has been questioned. But Williams made that statement the way a parent would if forced to choose between his children. He doesn't want it to go away, and the community shouldn't either.

Some departments are looking at dropping the

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Close to the Edge

by Scott Spielman

Who let the dogs out? Who cares?

The uncontrollable glad-handing has begun as candidates vying for municipal, county, state, and national offices swing their campaigns into a higher gear.

It happens covertly. At first, there's just a trickle of unexpected faces as current and would-be officeholders turn up at a meeting here or there to introduce themselves or share their opinion with residents present. Then, as the August primary and the November election pull closer, the trickle becomes a stream and then a torrent until they seem to be everywhere.

Although I wholeheartedly endorse the effort to help residents put a face with a name so that they know who they are—or are not—voting for, I wish someone could pull the plug on this tradition. The problem is it gets taken to extremes and then it's not fair to anyone—politician or resident.

My primary objection is that it sets unreasonable expectations for the future. Sure, voters want to believe that the individual they elect truly cares about the well being of their community—but does that really mean that politicians should be expected to forever campaign at ball games and free events? And would anyone even want them to do so? Not that it matters—that isn't reality.

The reality is that except during election years, most politicians are seen only sporadically outside their immediate sphere, with the rarity of

their visits directly proportionate to the amount of territory they need to cover. Elections change that. Without a doubt, I have seen more politicians vying for county, state, or federal positions at meetings and activities in the past month than I did in the previous six months combined. That's probably a good thing, too. After all, if they were perpetually underfoot year-round they would never make it into their office—which would do nobody any good.

It also seems patently unfair that individuals who will show up and participate only to the light of a video camera, sort of like a moonflower blossoms only in the evening, can dupe unsuspecting residents into believing that they are members of that rare breed, officeholders who are actively involved in all aspects of a community even when they aren't up for election.

I also have a solution I would like to propose. You can teach most dogs to shake hands with very little difficulty, so I believe that every candidate should send their dogs around to greet the public while they stay in their office and work out real, viable solutions to some of the problems facing the district. Candidates deserve to be elected based on their ideas, not because of their sound bites or the firmness of their grip.

Besides, I'm willing to bet fewer people would avoid the dogs.



Looking around

by Meghan Chatham

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LETTERS

Retiree criticizes cuts

To the editor:

I am writing to you about the proposed changes in retiree's medical benefits.

My questions to you are: When is a contract a contract? And how long is the city council obligated to honor the contracts made and approved by previous city councils?

I was employed by the City of Wayne full-time for 29 years. Employee contracts were negotiated for each of those 29 years. We had good years and lean years during those times and there was much give and take. We were all also covered by the city charter, City of Wayne work rules, personnel rules and the retirement board. As a full-time employee, I was paying 7 percent of my salary into the retirement fund. Salary and benefits were negotiated each year as part of the contracts.

At the time of my retirement in 1998, the results of all these contracts culminated in my retirement package. These results are what I count on to sustain me during my retirement years. The people of the City of Wayne voted to increase retiree's income by 2 percent per year for life, all in the name of protecting retirees.

I have been told by Mayor Al Haidous that retirees are not allowed, by law, to form any associations or unions and so, in effect, we have no standing or voice in any of the proposed changes to our retirement benefits.

I know that things are tough and the council is facing many tough decisions. My point is this: during the 29 contracts that we negotiated in good faith, we were also faced with tough times and lean years and our resulting negotiations and benefits reflected this. I know that you do not make any changes with current employees without going through the various labor groups.

As retirees we are not afforded this consideration, in this aspect we face a considerable disadvantage. If we lose any part of these benefits, we will never get them back because we are now retirees without any representation. Outside of the city council, we have no other avenue of recourse.

I'm sure that I speak for all our retirees in saying that we are counting on you to honor our contracts and please leave our benefits as is.

Ron Hayes,
Wayne

Resident recommends program change

To the editor:

I attended the city council meeting on 05/9/06 and feel that I needed to convey some

information and suggestions to the city council as a resident and taxpayer of the City of Wayne. Not only do I have a history with the parks and recreation department but I do have vast experience in certain fields and as a department manager for the County of Wayne.

I feel that there are many issues involving the youth assistance program. As a former employee I know a lot about the program and I feel that you were not represented with accurate numbers. From my experience many "clients" that used the youth assistance program were "repeat offenders," so the numbers you were given were most likely kids that came through the program a couple of times a year.

I also feel, as a mental health professional, that the city should not be involved in providing counseling and especially substance abuse counseling to the citizens of our city. For one there are specialized clinics (which I can provide names of) that provide that type of treatment. If a youth is using illegal drugs the court should make them attend an in-patient facility, not have the city provide counseling. The youth assistance program is a prevention program not a treatment program.

The youth assistance program should be an independent entity outside of the City of Wayne's funding. In the County of Wayne you can see the movement of making many of its departments independent authorities. I feel the City of Wayne should move in the same direction. This would create more programs and businesses in this area to come into our city and create a competitive environment for services. The citizens of Wayne will also be able to choose the provider of services they want rather than dictated that they "have" to attend a counselor that cannot relate to or understand them.

If skipping school is an issue, the local school district knows what they need to do and it should be up to the school district to provide services to keep kids in school not the City of Wayne. Substance abuse/use should also be the same.

By making youth assistance an independent entity, the city could sell or lease the program the building they are in creating a cash base in that area and taking the program off the budget of parks and recreation.

In closing, I hope the City of Wayne looks at their program and allows it to become an independent entity rather than cutting.

Brenda Ozog,
Wayne

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program, though. Isn't this something where it's easier to track the violators than the ones who take these positive lessons throughout their lives?

I only know that I like what I hear at them. Children talking about resisting peer pressure, standing on their own, making positive decisions—respecting the law.

Those lessons are too valuable to eliminate.

Letters

FROM PAGE 4

A disappointed reader; I remain,

Bill William Kreuger

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FROM PAGE 4

program, but others have kept it—Westland is trying to expand theirs and it is still alive and well in the city and township of Northville.

It's hard to quantify the success of the

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Local students are winners in Reading Rainbow contest

Angela Harris
Staff Writer

A famous painting and information shared by a local art teacher served as inspiration for Caroline Simko's award-winning book, "15 going on 50."

Simko, a second-grader at Eriksson Elementary School, and Robert Florence, a first-grader at Gallimore Elementary School, recently won top honors in their age group in the Reading Rainbow Young Writers and Illustrators Contest, sponsored by Detroit Public TV.

"I was happy," Simko said. "I was thinking of what I was going to do with the \$1,000 I got and I don't quite know what I am going to do with it yet. I am going to try to give most of it to the school's specials."

The school's specials are four classes that her school offers including art, gym and library, said Jennifer Simko, her mother. The money is granted to the school, but Simko has a say in how it is used, she added.

Simko's book was inspired by painting featured in her story—the Mona Lisa—a story the art teacher read her class about going into a painting and the recent movie, "13 going on 30."

"(I chose 15 and 50) because I thought of 10 and 20, but it didn't sound good,"

"I was happy. I was thinking of what I was going to do with the \$1,000 I got and I don't quite know what I am going to do with it yet. I am going to try to give most of it to the school's specials."

Caroline Simko

Simko said. "So I thought 15 and 50 and I thought it sounded pretty right."

The idea to have the main character speak backwards to return to 15 was inspired by the way Leonardo Da Vinci wrote his words backwards, Simko said.

"This was all her own initiative," Jennifer Simko said. "Her teacher will often tell me she's one of her more creative writing students."

Florence not only won this year in the first grade category with his book, "Out of Order," but also won last year with a similar spaced themed book.

"I got the idea because I like space a lot," Florence said. "I was excited because I won two times in a row."

His mother, Emily Florence, said she was not expecting him to win a second time.

"I was surprised," she said. "I was excited he won a second time. I was not

expecting that."

His fascination with space began when he was younger and he would want to "race the moon in the car," said Florence.

"Out of Order" was a result of a brainstorming session with his mother that led him to write a story about what would happen if the planets were bored.

"They were bored of sitting around so they form a rock band," Florence said. "Everything gets all mixed up on earth."

The book title is a result of the planets becoming out of order after they formed the band, he added.

Florence said his \$1,000, which is a new award this year, will be used to buy books for the classroom libraries at his school.

"So I was excited about that (the money)," he said.

Florence, as well as Simko, wrote and illustrated his book himself and attended an event on March 31 when the judges decided who won.

Simko and Florence attended an award ceremony on Wednesday at the Detroit Public TV studios where they were honored as well as the two honorable mention storywriters. Second-grader Eleanor Lawton and third-graders Catherine Lawton and Benjamin Weaver, all of Plymouth, received honorable mentions in their respective age groups.

"The 2006 Reading Rainbow Awards" showcasing the winners and honorable mention storywriters will be shown at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, June 18 on WTVS Channel 56.

"I think it will be really fun because I always wanted to be on TV somehow," Simko said.

The books will also be turned into a movie, Florence said.

"So I think this one is going to be an exciting movie," he said.

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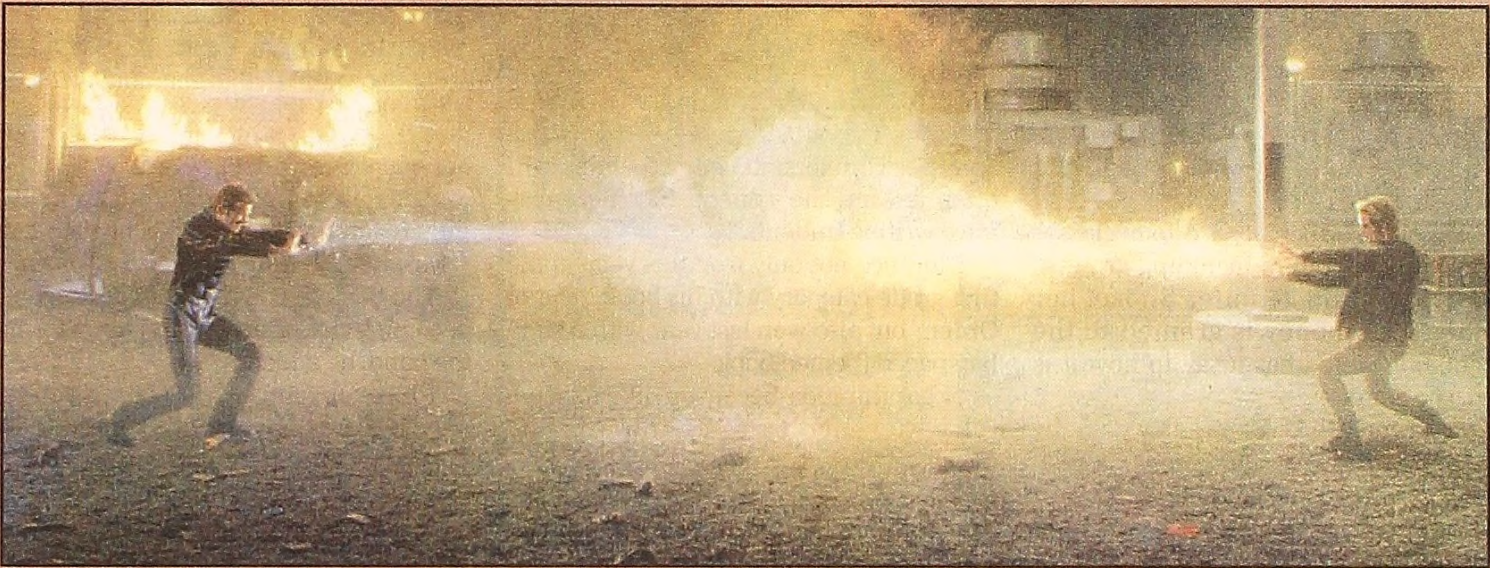
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THE SCENE

Familiar faces can't save



For X-Men fans, watching *X-Men III*, must be like trying to visit with too many old friends during a busy reunion weekend.

Some you only get a glimpse of, others are too full of melodrama to deal with and the ones you really want to see are either changed too drastically or strangely absent.

So it is in the third installment of the film, which features some impressive effects, a few spot-on characterizations and little else.

It's sad, too, because the film brought up plenty of interesting concepts. It just didn't have time to follow any of the issues on the way to an all-too implausible ending—even for a movie where people can control metal and make others disintegrate by concentrating hard enough and smiling darkly.

The basic storyline is this: a mutant is found that can negate the abilities of other mutants. He's soon socked away in a prison and a mutant antibody is developed, a serum that will permanently remove these abilities from the thousands so affected and thereby, presumably, save the human race. They call it a cure.

That word sparks some anger from the mutant community, and rightfully so. "There's nothing to cure," says Ororo Monroe, AKA Storm (played by Halle Berry). "There's nothing wrong with us."

That's easy for her to say, though. She's attractive by any standards, can fly and control the weather. Who would want to give that up?

Others aren't so fortunate. Take Rogue (Anna Paquin),

who absorbs the abilities and memories of anyone she touches. She just wants to get it on with her boyfriend. Even Hank McCoy (Kelsey Grammer), a blue-furred long-time comic book favorite who goes by the name of Beast. He's the head of the Department of Mutant Affairs for the U.S. Government, but even he's a little tempted by the serum, because, as he tells Storm: "Some of us don't fit in so easily."

Perhaps most upset about this revelation is perennial X-Men foe Magneto (Ian McKellan). "They say they have a cure? I say we are the cure," he tells throngs of disenfranchised mutants in a tent community hidden in the hills that reminded me of a hippie commune I once stumbled on while hiking in Oregon.

Sides are drawn and the spark for the final conflict ignited.

The main characters

from the first two films return: Hugh Jackman is Wolverine, Rebecca Romijn is Mystique, a shape-shifter more flexible than a pipe cleaner, Patrick Stewart returns as Professor Xavier, the leader of the X-Men and head of Xavier's School for Gifted Youngsters.

Even Famke Jansen returns as Jean Grey, who supposedly died at the end of the second film.

They are joined by others familiar to comic book fan boys (and girls) everywhere. The Juggernaut (Vinnie Jones), an unstoppable being of immense power, makes an appearance for the bad guys, as does Eric Dane as the Multiple Man.

The X-men add a few familiar staples, too, in Kitty Pryde (Ellen Page)—who can phase through any solid material—Colossus (Daniel Cudmore)—who can

transform himself into metal—and Angel (Ben Foster), who sports an impressive pair of white feathered wings.

Grammer is so perfectly cast as Beast that when he utters his famous line: "Oh my stars and garters," it doesn't sound goofy. Now that's talent.

Jackman personified Wolverine in the first two films and he does have some hack-and-slash action here that will appease fans. His touchy-feely side, though, had me rolling my eyes and would have probably caused any surviving members of his Weapon X days to laugh hard enough to spit beer out their noses.

As an action movie, *X-Men III* works. As anything else, well, long-time admirers of the comic may be a little disappointed.

Reviewed By
Scott Spielman
Editor





International incident

The Wayne Rotary Club luncheon recently was an international event when special guests Wayne Mayor Al Haidous and Eddie Francis, mayor of Windsor, both of Lebanese descent, above with Wayne Club president Aziz Haridy, spoke about international efforts to Rotarians from the 6400 District. Guest speaker Jennifer Jones, right, with program chairman Art Quintal, discussed ways the Rotary International can help resolve world conflicts at the International Fellowship Luncheon at the Wayne Community Center.

Father's Day run planned

The Plymouth Family YMCA will host its 27th-annual Father's Day Run later this month.

All proceeds will be used to help support the YMCA Strong Kids Scholarship Campaign.

Awards go to the top three finishers in all age categories, overall male and female winner in each race, and all kid participants. All registered runners get a T-shirt.

Age groups and start times include: Diaper Dash, 9 a.m. (0-12 months); Wee Walkers, 9 a.m. (12 months-2 years); Kid Trot, 7:30 a.m. (3-4 years); Kid Jog, 7:45 a.m. (5-8 years); 1M walk/run, 8 a.m.; 5k walk/run, 8:15 a.m.; 10k walk/run, 8:45 a.m.; and the unique 12th-annual Morse Dental Group MDG Triple (10.3 Miles).

Packet pick-up will be at the YMCA office, located at 248 Union, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, June 17, and at 6:30 a.m. on race day.

Register online at www.gaultracemanagement.com, or call the YMCA office at (734) 453-2904. Pictures by Dr. Andrew Rubenstein will be available at www.plymouthpictures.com.

Volunteers are needed for the run. All volunteers receive a free T-shirt and get to watch as 1,300 people run through the streets of Plymouth. There are several volunteer opportunities available.

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THE ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL HELD MAY 8, 2006
IN THE ROMULUS CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER
11111 S. WAYNE ROAD, ROMULUS, MICHIGAN 48174.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Pro Tem William Wadsworth.
Present: John Barden, Ellen Craig-Bragg, LeRoy Burcroff, Harry Crout, William Crova, Randolph Gear, William Wadsworth.
Administrative Officials in Attendance:
Alan Lambert, Mayor
Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk
Pamela Morrison/Kersey, CMFA Treasurer

1. Motion by Crova, supported by Barden to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes -Barden, Bragg, Crout, Crova, Gear, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

06-172

2. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Burcroff to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held May 1, 2006.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Barden, Bragg, Burcroff, Crout, Crova, Gear, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

06-173

3A. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Bragg to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission and approve PC-2006/007 granting Special Land Use to Ram Industries to operate a truck repair facility consistent with the Planning Consultant letter dated March 21, 2006 and the following recommendation:

1. Dust control shall be provided for the site until completion of the project.
The Property is located at 28035 Beverly Road. Parcel #'s 82-80-004-99-0007-000, 82-80-004-99-0006000, 82-80-004-99-0004-700 in an M-2 Industrial Transportation Zoned District.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Barden, Bragg, Burcroff, Crout, Crova, Gear, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

06-174

3B. Motion by Bragg, supported by Barden to grant a no-fee permit to the Mount Olive Baptist Church, 35565 Beverly Road to host a Carnival June 16th through June 18, 2006 on the south side of Beverly, east of Wayne Road, and to close Beverly Road from Wayne Road to Washington Street for security and safety purposes.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Barden, Bragg, Burcroff, Crout, Crova, Gear, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

06-175

4A. Motion by Burcroff, supported Crova to adopt a resolution of appreciation for Reverend William Kren, who will be leaving Community United Methodist Church to pastor in another area.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Barden, Bragg, Burcroff, Crout, Crova, Gear, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

4. Motion by Crova, supported by Barden to accept the Chairperson’s Report.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes -Barden, Bragg, Burcroff, Crout, Crova, Gear, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

06-176

5A. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Crova to concur with the recommendation of Patrick C. McGow, Bond Counsel to adopt a resolution authorizing the issuance of the 2006 Capitol Improvement Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$7,000,000 for the purpose of paying for the City of Romulus water main replacement project and to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute the necessary documents. Entire Resolution on file in the Clerks office.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes -Barden, Bragg, Burcroff, Crout, Crova, Gear, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

06-177

5B. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Wadsworth to adopt the following Fiscal Year 2006/2007 General Appropriations Act for the City of Romulus and the 34th District Court, which includes the appropriate millage rates:

SECTION 1. That for the expenditures of the City Government and its activities for the fiscal year, beginning July 1, 2006 and ending June 30, 2007, the amounts in the following sections are hereby appropriated.

SECTION 2. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the General Fund on an activity basis, the following:

COUNCIL	75,624
MAYOR	405,261
LEGAL	287,233
COMMUNITY SERVICE	14,200
PUBLIC RELATIONS	9,225
CLERK	436,615
ELECTIONS	129,629

TREASURER	444,786
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BOARD OF REVIEW	1,615
CITY OWNED PROPERTY	40,000
COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	26,423
FINANCE	607,753
HUMAN RESOURCES	334,999
UNALLOCATED	336,045
TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	261,901
POLICE	7,959,443
ORDINANCE	286,707
ANIMAL SHELTER	220,668
FIRE	2,138,879
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	195,828
PLANNING & ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS	279,015
BUILDING	1,294,421
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS	499,978
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CEMETERY	135,702
RECREATION	491,295
LIBRARY	333,804
HISTORICAL COMMISSION	1,100
SENIOR SERVICES	207,106
UNRESOLVED CLAIMS	30,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	22,238,693

CONTINGENCIES 487,383

TOTAL EXPENDITURES & CONTINGENCIES 22,726,076

General Fund cont....

REVENUES

TAXES	10,742,537
BUSINESS LICENSES & PERMITS	147,500
NON-BUSINESS LICENSES & PERMITS	1,469,500
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES	5,887,073
CHARGES FOR SERVICES	2,024,993
MISCELLANEOUS	530,000
TRANSFER FROM OTHER FUNDS	78,641
FINES & FORFEITS	600,000

TOTAL REVENUES 21,480,244

APPROPRIATED SURPLUS 1,245,832

TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS 22,726,076

SECTION 3.

That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Major Streets Fund on an activity basis, the following:

ROUTINE MAINTENANCE	1,088,763
TRAFFIC SERVICES	99,892
WINTER MAINTENANCE	177,885
DITCHING	82,980
TRANSFER TO BEVERLY ROAD	158,095
TRANSFER TO LOCAL STREETS	286,192

TOTAL EXPENDITURES & CONTINGENCIES 1,893,807

REVENUES

INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS	30,000
REIMBURSEMENTS	3,000
OTHER INCOME	500
PAVING INSPECTION FEES	500
STORM DRAIN INSPECTION FEES	60,000
ENGINEERING FEES - REIMBURSEMENTS	500
HAULING/PAVING PERMITS	500
STATE SHARED REVENUES	1,144,767

TOTAL REVENUES 1,239,767

APPROPRIATED SURPLUS 654,040

TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS 1,893,807

SECTION 4.

That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Local Streets Fund on an activity basis, the following:

ROUTINE MAINTENANCE	556,012
TRAFFIC SERVICES	82,542
WINTER MAINTENANCE	160,254
DITCHING	95,587

TOTAL EXPENDITURES & CONTINGENCIES 894 395

REVENUES

INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS	3,000
REIMBURSEMENTS	6,000
HAULING/PAVING PERMITS	12,600
STORM DRAIN INSPECTION FEES	97,500
STATE SHARED REVENUES	430,285

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TRANSFER IN - GENERAL FUND	0
TRANSFER IN - MAJOR STREETS FUND	286,192
TOTAL REVENUES	835,577
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	58,818
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	<u>894,395</u>
SECTION 5.	
That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Cable Television Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
CABLE TELEVISION	<u>198,237</u>
REVENUES	128,950
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	69,287
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	<u>198,237</u>
SECTION 6.	
That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Merriman Road Special Assessment Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
MERRIMAN RD SPECIAL ASSESSMENT	<u>73,530</u>
REVENUES	<u>74,030</u>
SECTION 7. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Street Lighting Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
STREET LIGHTING	<u>375,368</u>
REVENUES	362,135
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	13,233
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	<u>375,368</u>
SECTION 8.	
Sanitation Fund on That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the an activity basis, the following:	
SANITATION	<u>988,142</u>
REVENUES	<u>1,006,875</u>
SECTION 9.	
That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Community Development Grants Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANTS	<u>306,000</u>
REVENUES	<u>306,120</u>
SECTION 10. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the 911 Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
911 FUND	146,300
REVENUES	168,800
SECTION 11. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Law Enforcement Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
LAW ENFORCEMENT	<u>135,000</u>
REVENUES	39,000
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	96,000
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	<u>135,000</u>
SECTION 12. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Law Enforcement Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
STATE FORFEITURE	<u>139,600</u>
REVENUES	<u>173,800</u>
SECTION 13. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Special Assessment - Beverly Road Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT - BEVERLY ROAD	<u>308,965</u>
REVENUES	<u>324,435</u>
SECTION 14. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Building Authority Debt Service Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
BUILDING AUTHORITY DEBT SERVICE	<u>262,526</u>
REVENUES	<u>264,401</u>
SECTION 15. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Sewer Debt Service Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
SEWER DEBT	<u>8,898</u>
REVENUES	<u>236,600</u>
SECTION 16. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Water Debt Service Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
WATER DEBT	0
REVENUES	132,850

SECTION 17. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Senior Center Construction Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
SENIOR CENTER CONSTRUCTION	<u>402,280</u>
REVENUES	<u>441,400</u>
SECTION 18. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Sewer and Water Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
SEWER AND WATER	<u>12,787,215</u>
REVENUES	<u>12,959,487</u>
SECTION 19. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Vehicle and Equipment Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
VEHICLE AND EQUIPMENT	<u>1,996,938</u>
REVENUES	1,421,229
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	575,709
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	<u>1,996,938</u>
SECTION 20.	
That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Technology Services Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
TECHNOLOGY SERVICES	<u>620,991</u>
REVENUES	401,691
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	219,300
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	<u>620,991</u>
SECTION 21. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Retirement Insurance Benefit Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
RETIREE INSURANCE BENEFITS	<u>901,414</u>
REVENUES	<u>1,007,484</u>
SECTION 22. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Property and Liability Self-Insurance Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
PROPERTY AND LIABILITY SELF INSURANCE	<u>676,283</u>
REVENUES	579,500
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	96,783
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	<u>676,283</u>
SECTION 23. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Long Term Disability Self-Insurance Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
LONG-TERM DISABILITY SELF-INSURANCE	<u>15,000</u>
REVENUES	<u>16,200</u>
SECTION 24. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Economic Development Corporation Special Revenue Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION	<u>830</u>
REVENUES	25
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	805
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	<u>830</u>
SECTION 25. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Downtown Development Authority Special Revenue Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY - SPECIAL REVENUE	<u>717,102</u>
REVENUES	707,731
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	9,371
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	<u>717,102</u>
SECTION 26.	
That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Tax Increment Finance Authority Funds on an activity basis, the following:	
TIFA DISTRICT II-	<u>33,815,704</u>
REVENUES	11,344,047
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	22,471,657
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	<u>33,815,704</u>
SECTION 27. Capital Budget expenditures: That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated the following:	
CAPITAL BUDGET	5,868,911
SECTION 27. That amounts budgeted for specific items or purposes and not required to be utilized for such items or purposes may be spent by the Mayor for other items or purposes within the same activity for which such allocations are made.	
SECTION 28. Be it further resolved that the following millage rates as provided by charter or statute be assessed:	
OPERATING MILLAGE	9.5196

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Obituaries

LAGINESS, Olive
Olive I. Laginess, 91, of New Boston, died May 6.
Among her survivors are her children, Piere A. “Ed” (Rose Marie) Laginess of Boyne Falls and Gloria (Frank) Scheuer of New Boston; a brother, Donald Pollen of Allen Park; eight grandchildren, and 21 great-grandchildren.
Mrs. Laginess was a 36-year 4-H Club leader and a member of the Altar Society at St. Stephen Catholic Church and a member of the Farm Bureau.
A funeral mass was at St. Stephen Catholic Church with Father John Hedges as celebrant.
Interment was at St. Stephen Cemetery in New Boston.
Arrangements were entrusted to the Crane Funeral Home in Romulus.

SOLO, Mary
Mary M. Solo, 96, of Romulus, died May 19.
Among her survivors are her caregivers, grandson John Otter of Byron and nephew Fred Meister of Canton Township; 10 step-grandchildren, and 11 step great-grandchildren.
Funeral services were at the Crane Funeral Home with the Rev. William Kren of

Community United Methodist Church officiating.
Interment was at Michigan Memorial Park in Flat Rock.

MCCRAIGHT, Billy
Billy M. McCraight, 68, of Lake, MI, formerly of Romulus, died May 17.
Among his survivors are his children; Leota (Martin) McCraight, Socrates (Terrie) McCriaght of Romulus, Sherell (Mark A.) Pyszko of Romulus; a brother, Alexander McCraight of Romulus; sisters, Nody Daunt of Schwartz Creek and Myrt Boll of Westland; five grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.
Mr. McCraight was a veteran of the U.S. Army and a member of the Rotary Club. He also belong to the Rod and Gun Club and several car clubs, the Eagles Lodge and the Dixie Club.
He was active with Little League and Boy Scouts and served on the Romulus Board of Education.
Funeral services were at the Crane Funeral Home with the Rev. William Kren of Community United Methodist Church officiating.
Cremation rites were accorded.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN
PARK COMFORT STATIONS

The Charter Township of Van Buren will be accepting sealed bids for construction of three comfort stations with septic fields at Van Buren Park, 50901 I-94 South Service Drive and French Landing Park, 12090 Haggerty Road. Bids must be sealed in an envelope marked “Van Buren Park Comfort Stations” and submitted to the office of the Township Clerk, 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township, MI 48111. Bids will be accepted until 10:00 AM EST on **Monday, June 19, 2006.**

Specifications and plans may be obtained from the Clerk’s Office during normal business hours staring **June 2, 2006.**

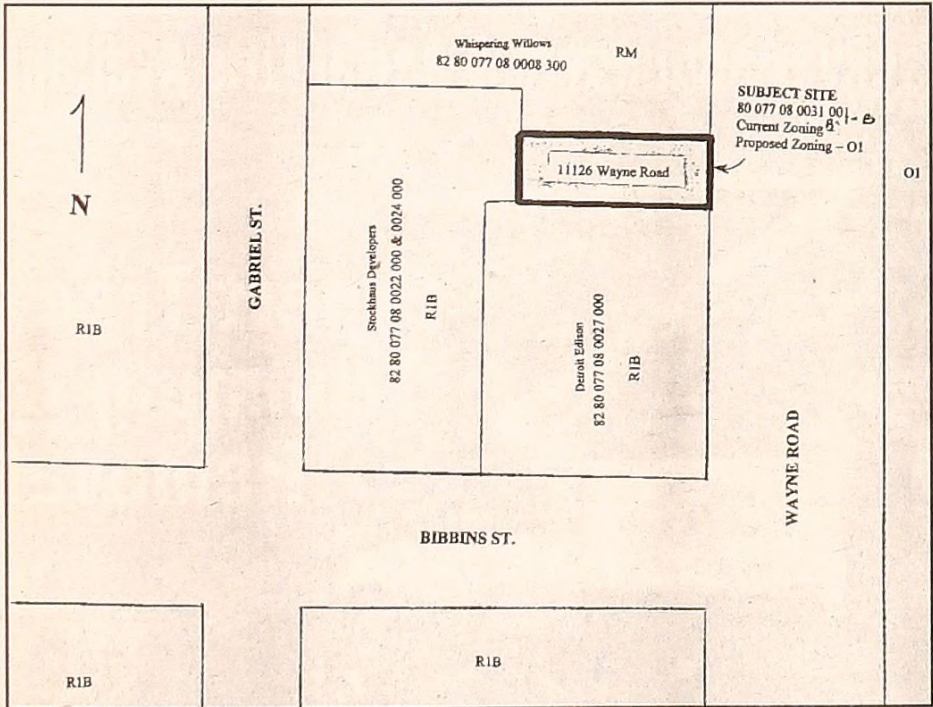
The Charter Township of Van Buren reserves the right to waive any discrepancies or irregularities in the bid. The Township also reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and is not required to accept the low bid.

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CITY OF ROMULUS
PLANNING COMMISSION
NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Michigan Public Act 207 of 1921, as amended (The City and Village Zoning Act), notice is hereby given that the City of Romulus will hold a public hearing at **7:00 p.m. on Monday, June 19, 2006,** for the purpose of considering a proposed rezoning request. The public hearing will be held at the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne, Romulus, MI 48174-1485.

The Planning Commission has set the public hearing to consider a request to rezone approximately 0.11+- acres **DP# 82-80-077-08-0031-001** from R1-B, Single Family Residential District to O-1, Office District. The subject site is located on the west side of Wayne Road between Goddard and Bibbins Roads. Copies of the application are available for review at City Hall during regular business hours.



All interested parties are encouraged to attend and will be given an opportunity to comment on said request. Written comments may be submitted until 12:00 noon, Monday, June 19, 2006, and should be addressed to Cynthia L Lyon, AICP, City Planner, Economic Development Department, 11111 Wayne, Romulus, MI 48174-1485.

Linda R. Choate, CMC, City Clerk
City of Romulus, Michigan

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SANITATION MILLAGE	0.9500
EPA LEVY MILLAGE	1.5833
SECTION 29. Be it further resolved that the Property Tax Administration Fee and any type of late penalty charge as Provided for by charter or statute be assessed.	

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROMULUS:

That for the expenditures of the 34th District Court and its activities for the fiscal year, beginning July 1, 2006 and Ending June 30, 2007, the following amounts are hereby appropriated.

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	3,324,937
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Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Barden, Bragg, Burcroff, Gear, Wadsworth.
Nays - Crout, Crova.
Motion Carried.

06-178

5C. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Bragg to introduce Budget Amendment 05/06-33:

FUND/DEPT.	ACCOUNT NO.	ACCOUNT NAME	CURRENT BUDGET	AMENDED AMENDMENT
<u>BUDGET</u>				
<u>General Fund</u>				
<u>Expenditure</u>				
252-2250-722.85-11	Grant-Liens Repaid	50,000		70,662
120,662				
<u>Fund Balance</u>				
252-0000-390.00-00	Fund Balance	103,743		(70,662)
33,081				

To appropriate prior year’s excess in program income that was set aside in fund balance to an expense account to cover additional program costs.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Barden, Bragg, Burcroff, Crout, Crova, Gear, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

06-179

5D. Motion by Barden, supported by Crout to introduce Budget Amendment 05/06-34:

FUND/DEPT.	ACCOUNT NO.	ACCOUNT NAME	CURRENT BUDGET	AMENDED AMENDMENT
<u>BUDGET</u>				
<u>General Fund</u>				
<u>Expenditure</u>				
101-3110-731.74-90 302	Police Training Account	12,340	4,803	17,143
<u>Fund Balance</u>				
101-0000-390.00-00	Fund Balance	1,558,638	(4,803)	1,553,835

To transfer funds received from the State of Michigan for police training from the reserve account in Fund Balance to the budget for expenditures.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Barden, Bragg, Burcroff, Crout, Crova, Gear, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

06-180
5E. Motion by Crova, supported by Bragg to concur with Public Safety Director, Charles Kirby, and Purchasing Coordinator, Lynn Conway and authorize the purchase of four (4) Mobile Radios, under the State Bid for the Romulus Fire Department from Herkimer Radio Service in the amount of \$9,569.96.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Barden, Bragg, Burcroff, Crout, Crova, Gear, Wadsworth.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

Councilman Wadsworth departed meeting at 8:25 p.m.

06-181
11. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Crout to authorize the Treasurer of the City of Romulus to disburse funds as listed in Warrant 06-09 in the grand total amount of Two Million, Twenty Nine Thousand, Nine Hundred Twenty One Dollars and Thirty Cents (\$2,029,921.30).

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Barden, Bragg, Burcroff, Crout, Gear.
Nays -None.
Abstain - Crova.
Motion Carried.

12. Motion by Crova, supported by Barden to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Barden, Bragg, Burcroff, Crout, Crova, Gear.
Nays - None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

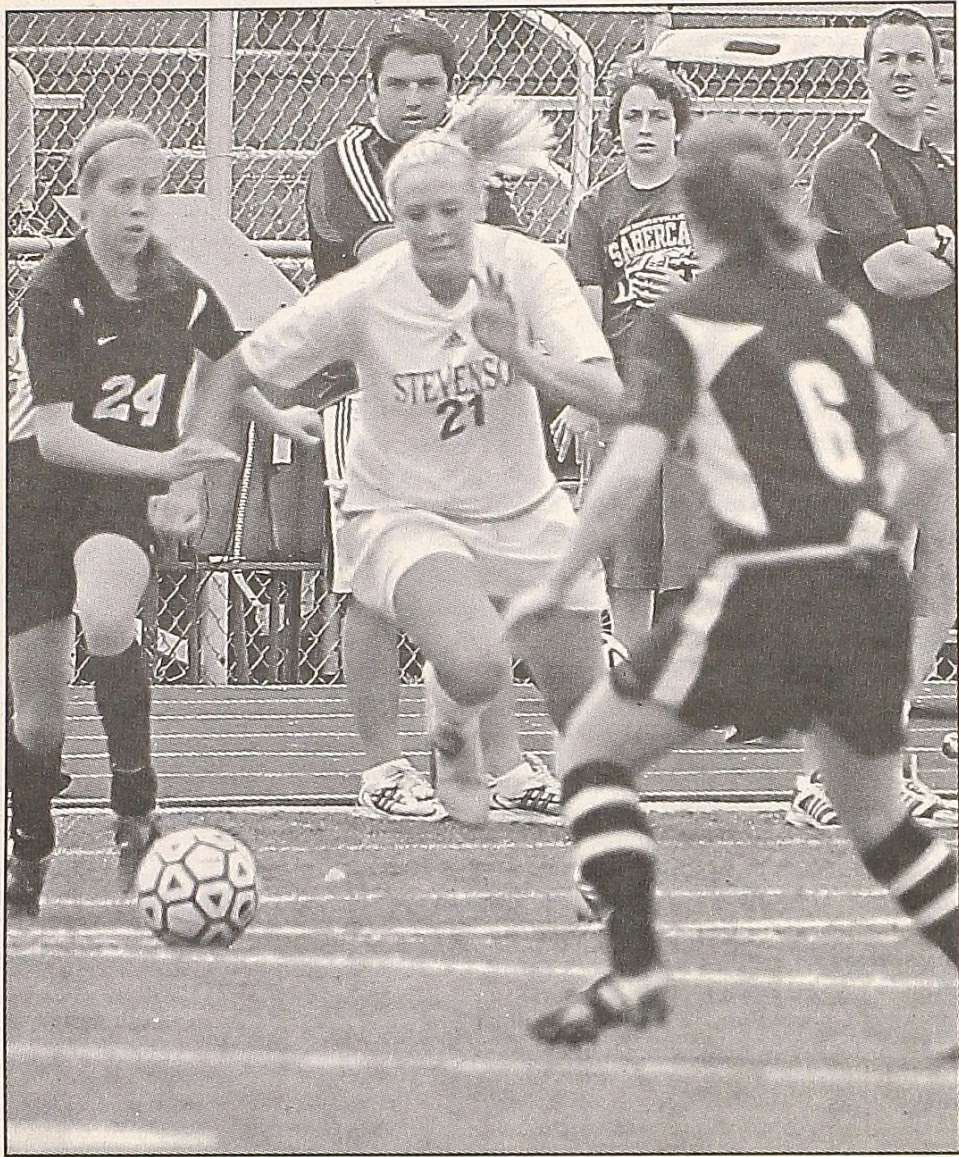
Respectfully submitted,
Linda R. Choate, CMC
Clerk City of Romulus, Michigan

I, Linda R. Choate, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held May 8, 2006.

Linda R. Choate,
Clerk City of Romulus, Michigan

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SPORTS



Kathleen Griffith (center) tried to penetrate the Northville defense of Kelsey Baskin (left) and Jennifer Ulmer.

Northville blanks Stevenson

Scott Spielman
Editor

The Northville Mustangs made a statement to Livonia Stevenson at the conference championships last Wednesday.

Not this time.

The Mustangs battled Stevenson to claim the conference championship by virtue of a 3-0 shut out, according to Northville Coach Ron Meteyer.

"We played the whole game," Meteyer said. "This was our show the whole way."

When the two teams met earlier, the outcome was different. The score was 5-2 in favor of the Spartans, who

scored 4 second half goals.

The Mustangs scored early in this one, though. Danielle Toney took the ball in the backfield and worker her way up to Lauren Hill, who sent a low kick past a sprawling Stevenson goalie.

With about 10 minutes in the half, Theresa Yankovich followed suit with a low kick by the keeper.

"The defense kind of just opened up and gave her the shot," Meteyer said.

Vanessa Bailey scored the final goal in the second period off a strong feed from Hill.

It was the fourth conference cham-

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Mustangs claim conference title

Jason Carmel Davis
Staff Writer

With their 8-5 win over Walled Lake Central to claim the Western Lakes Athletic Association conference championship, the Northville Mustangs added another milestone to an already historic season.

The win put the Mustangs at 24-7 and 14-2 in the Western Lakes. Those 24 wins are the most in Northville baseball history.

It looked like the win would be fairly easy in the early part of the game. The Mustangs jumped out to a 4-0 lead in the top of the first. The highlight of the barrage came when senior Cory Patterson hit a two-run homer, the first of his career.

"We had some really good at-bats (in the first)," Northville Coach John Kostrzewa said. "I was really happy to see Cory hit that home run, too."

The Vikings, who mercied Northville in their only regular season meeting, got an unearned run in the bottom half of the first. Walled Lake followed that up with two more in the bottom of the second to cut the Mustang's lead to 4-3. The Vikings took a 5-4 lead when Northville pitcher Bryce Jenney surrendered a two-run shot in the bottom of the fourth.

That lead would be short-lived, though.

Northville freshman Anthony Hutting tied the game at five with a solo shot in the top of the fifth. After a Jenney single, senior Charlie Thomas gave the Mustangs the lead for good with a two-run homer.

That home run added to Thomas' already stellar season. Aside from hitting .533 on the season, Thomas has gone 13-for-19 with five doubles, two triples, and a home run in the last seven games.

Walled Lake squandered a golden opportunity to tie the game in the bottom of the seventh. The Vikings had runners on first and second with nobody out and failed to get a run across the plate.

Northville would add an insurance run in the later innings, giving the Mustangs an 8-5 victory.

Kostrzewa said the early season loss to Walled Lake had no effect on his team.

"We're a totally different team than we were then," he said. "That loss was the second game of the season, so we didn't have it in the back of our minds."

The Mustangs picked up the win, despite committing four errors. Kostrzewa said that was uncharacteristic of his group. He said pitching and defense have been the squad hallmark this season.

"The score probably should have been 8-3," Kostrzewa said. "Those errors were bad, but we battled through them."

Northville's next game is a district play-off contest Saturday at Novi High School.

Kostrzewa said his team's play gives him a positive outlook going into district play.

"We didn't really play all that well and we won a conference championship," he said. "I think that's a good thing. If we play the way we're capable of playing, I think it bodes well for us."

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Tigers win, but lose key player

Matt Whaler
Editor

The Belleville Lady Tigers blanked Southgate, 3-0, last week, but lost a key player in the game.

The team was already without freshman sweeper Toni Zamorski, who suffered a possible ACL injury earlier in the week in the game against Carlson, according to coach Ron Held.

Though shorthanded, Belleville got their first goal off the foot of junior Pamela Chudzinski. Freshman Ashley Butzin assisted on the goal. Chudzinski's goal was the lone score of the first half.

Most of the scoring took place in the second half. Sophomore Morgan Showler sent the first goal of the period spinning into the net. Freshman Chelsea King followed her teammate's lead and scored the only other goal of the game. Both goals were unassisted.

It was hard for the Tigers to celebrate, though, because their minds were on the condition of Chudzinski, their leading scorer. She suffered a serious injury with about five minutes to go in the game. The team will likely have to finish their season without Chudzinski on the field, according to Held.

"Pamela is one of the key players on our team. It will be tough to continue on without her, but we'll have to do the best we can," he said.

Belleville 5 Carlson 3

Chudzinski scored three goals for the Lady Bengals, but it wasn't enough as Belleville suffered the loss, 5-3.

Belleville faced an uphill battle as Carlson scored four goals and kept them scoreless in the first half. Chudzinsk led her team in a comeback effort, though.

"This was a tough loss because we battled back and almost tied the game in the last five minutes," Held said.

SPORTS

Lacrosse
earns
tough win

Jason Carmel Davis
Staff Writer

The Plymouth-Canton lacrosse team was able to overcome a relatively penalty free game from Waterford on their way to a 7-4 win last week.

Waterford recorded two penalties to the Warriors' seven. Plymouth-Canton also lost nine of 15 face-offs in the game. The Warriors (13-4) did outshoot Waterford, 27-23, though.

After Waterford took a 1-0 lead in the first quarter, Jared Ruark tied the game at one with 4:21 left in the first. He gave Plymouth-Canton a 2-1 advantage early in the second.

The teams traded goals in the second stanza. A Waterford goal knotted the, game at two before the Warriors Johnny Groat took a pass from Ben Feeley and put the ball in the net. Ruark recorded his third goal of the contest on an assist from Mitch French. That score put Plymouth-Canton up, 4-2, at the half.

Waterford cut the Warriors lead in half, 4-3, coming out of the locker room. That score was the only goal of the third period.

French put Plymouth-Canton up, 6-3, with two goals in the



The Plymouth-Canton Warriors Lacrosse team earned a tough victory last week.

fourth quarter. Waterford cut the lead to two before Ray Gilmore scored the game's final goal, giving the Warriors a 7-4 win.

"(Goalie) Chris Sorensen had a good game stopping the ball," Plymouth-Canton coach Mike Costello said. "A couple of clears went awry, but the defense helped out. It's nice to hold a team to only four goals."

Four must be a magic number. The contest marked the sixth time this season the Warriors yielded four goals to an opponent. The game also gave Plymouth-Canton seven wins in their last eight games heading into the state tournament.

Costello praised his players for their performances.

"Getting (Ruark) back has been a huge boost," he said. "His three goals proved that. Mitch French had a solid game with a couple of goals and Ray Gilmore's late goal was big. "It wasn't one of our best games, but getting a win was huge."

The Warriors playoff game was rained out last Thursday. The contest was played Tuesday, but results were unavailable at the time of publication. For a full recap, check the June 8 edition.

Northville dominates Central

Jason Carmel Davis
Staff Writer

In their final contest before the start of the district softball playoffs, Walled Lake Central jumped out to an early 2-0 lead over Northville with runs in both the second and third inning.

But it was all Mustangs after that, as Northville routed the Lady Vikings, 12-2 on May 24.

Northville (24-6, 14-3 Western Lakes Athletic Association) boasted a 10-run advantage after six innings. That cushion gave the umpires no choice but to call the game.

The Mustangs plated five runs in the third, three in both the fourth and fifth innings, and one more in the sixth.

"The girls played awesome today," Coach Teryn Fox said. "The offense came alive in the third inning and it didn't slow down. Everyone was hitting the ball hard."

Several players contributed to Northville's offensive attack.

Emma Wise, Christy Badeen, and Bridget Hughes each went 2-2. Six other players recorded hits, too. Badeen and Hughes had two doubles and three runs scored, respectively.

Northville made some solid defensive plays, too.

In the top of the fifth inning, with a runner on first, Badeen snagged a line drive with her backhand, got up and stepped on first base to turn an unassisted double play.

"It was as good of a play as I've ever seen a first baseman make," Fox said.

Fox said her squad gave a great team effort. She said the win was a great way to head into the district playoffs, which began Tuesday.

"We plan to make a run in the state playoffs," Fox said. "If we play like we have been, we have a good shot."

Results from the district playoffs were unavailable at the time of publication. Check back next week for a full recap of district play.

Soccer

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pionship in the last seven years for the Mustangs, Meteyer said.

They started off the districts Tuesday night at Franklin, but the outcome of the game wasn't know at press time. If they won there, their next foe will be the

winner of the Garden City and Plymouth game. If the Mustangs make their way through that, they'll probably face Stevenson again, Meteyer said.

"It always seems to wind up that way," he said. "Sometimes it's good and sometimes it's not so good. Sometimes the kids are looking for some payback and it's always tough to beat a good team two times."

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1. Obituaries

HEARL, Mary Etta, devoted caring wife, mother and grandmother, died peacefully at Ledgewood Manor in Windham, Maine on May 26, 2006. She was born in Plymouth, MI the daughter of Arthur and Anna Bennett. She attended schools in Livonia, and graduated from Plymouth High School in 1931. She was married to Allyn Hearl or Ypsilanti, MI in 1934. He predeceased her in 1990 after 56 years of marriage. Mary was a homemaker who enjoyed gardening, canning vegetables and was famous for baking her banana nut bread. She was known for her sense of humor and loved playing cards, camping, fishing and square dancing. She was a 20 year volunteer with the American Red Cross in the blood donor program. She taught Sunday School at the Presbyterian Church in Plymouth for many years. She moved to Maine from Mich. in 1994 after the death of her husband to

become a resident of Oceanview in Falmouth. Mary had many good friends there and enjoyed attending Sea Dogs games and the theater in Portland. She moved to Ledgewood Manor in November 2005 after Alzheimer's limited her activities. Mary is survived by her son Gerald Hearl and his wife Bonnie of Venice, FL and Bridgton, ME; her grandson Geoffrey A. Hearl of Honolulu, HI; her granddaughter Whitney E. Schieferstein and her husband John and great-grandson Quinn Allyn of

Harrison, ME. She was predeceased by five brothers and sisters in Mich. Graveside services were held at the Harrison Village Cemetary on May 31st with the Rev. Norm Rust officiating. Memorial's in Mary's memory are should be sent to The American Heart Association, Maine Affiliate, Inc., 343 Gorham Rd., South Portland, ME 04106. Arrangements were entrusted to Raymond-Wentworth Funeral Home, 8 Elm St., Bridgton, Maine.

Worship Directory

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6. Legal Notice

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PUBLIC HOUSING DIVISION**

The City of Wayne Housing Commission has developed its Agency Plan for the year 2007. It is available for review at the Commission's office located at 4001 S. Wayne Rd., Wayne, MI 48184. The Commission's hours of operation are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. In addition, a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, July 18, 2006, from 2:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M. at the Commission's office. Everyone is invited.

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MORTON, Leah S., age 98 of Wawa, PA, formerly of Drexel Hill, PA and Rochester, MI, died May 22, 2006. Mrs. Morton was a graduate of Rochester, MI High School, and Michigan Normal School (aka Eastern Mich. College) in Ypsilanti, MI. She was employed as a teacher in Byron, MI and later in the Upper Darby Twp., PA School System. She was a member of Drexel Hill United Methodist Church, as well as a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Huldah Chapter 212 of Byron, MI. Mrs. Morton was preceded in death by her husband, Harry E. Morton, Sc.D. formerly of Wayne, MI, and her parents, Arthur W. and Lena Brown Spencer. She is survived by 2 sons, David H. Morton of Lafayette Hill, PA and Roger S. Morton of Arlington, VA, and 2 grandchildren. Mrs. Morton's graveside service was held at, and she will be interred at Sheldon Cemetary, Canton, MI. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent to the Blind and Visually Impaired
100 W. 15th Street
Chester, PA 19013.

5. Personals

Prayer to the Blessed Virgin
(Never known to fail)
Oh most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin. Assist me in my necessity. Oh Star of the Sea, help me and show me here you are my Mother. Oh holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succor me in my necessity (make request). There are none that can withstand your power. Oh show me herein you are my Mother. Oh Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (three times). Holy Spirit, you who solve all problems, light all roads so that I can attain my goal. You who gave me the divine gift to forgive and forget all evil against me and that in all instances in my life you are one with me, I want in this short prayer to thank you for all things as you confirm once again that I never want to be separated from you in eternal glory. Thank you for your mercy towards me and mine.
Say this prayer 3 consecutive days. After 3 days that request will be granted. This prayer must be published after the favor is granted.
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6. Legal-Notices

State of Michigan
Probate Court
County of Wayne

Notice to Creditors
Decedents's Estate

File #2006-704586 DE

Estate of Dale F. Hasty
DOB: 5/28/1942

TO ALL CREDITORS
NOTICE TO CREDITORS:
The decedent Dale F. Hasty, who lived at 1060

Meadowbrook Dr., Inkster, Michigan died 1/15/2006. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Judith Darmofal, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 1305 Coleman A. Young, 2 Woodward Ave., Detroit, MI and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Attorney:
David C. Tomlinson
Bar No. P28619
PO Box 644
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9am-5:00pm Daily

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Homestead Subdivision
Belleville
N. of Ecorse
bet. Haggerty & Belleville Rds.
June 1, 2 & 3
9:00 - 5:00

Wolverine Riders
Charity Garage Sale
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Northville
June 3 & 4
9am - 5pm

59. Auctions

Notice is hereby given that on 6/22/06 at 1:30pm the following will be sold by competitive bidding at
The Storroom Self Storage,
40600 Michigan Ave.
Canton MI.:

Space #709
Kessa Fields
Misc. small appl., TV, hshld. furnishings, misc. hshld. goods, misc. boxes/bags, toys, hand tools,
other misc. items

Space #728
Eddie Williams
Misc. small appl., hshld. furnishings, misc. hshld. goods, misc. boxes/bags, other misc. items

Space #1008B
Wanna Johnson
Misc. boxes/bags, other misc. items

space #917
Kelli M. Ala
Misc. small appl., TV, hshld. furnishings, misc. boxes/bags, clothing, toys, off. equip., other misc. items

Space #1413
Johnnie D. Stivers
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61. Misc. Items

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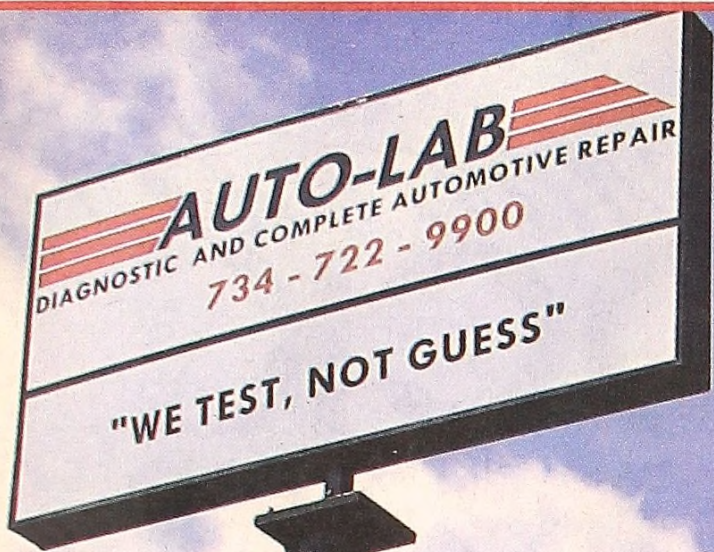
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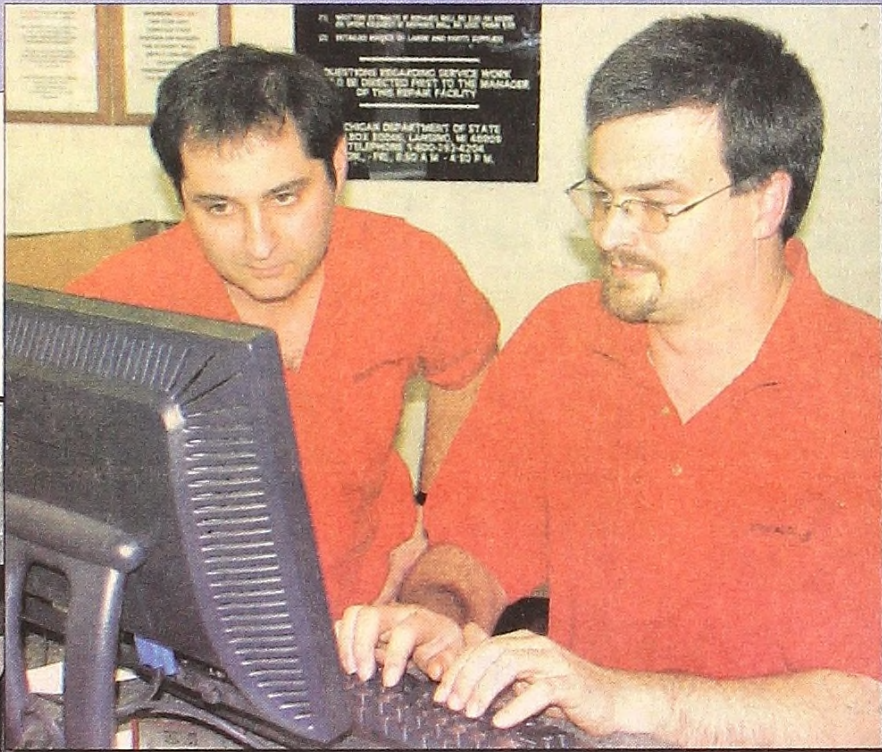
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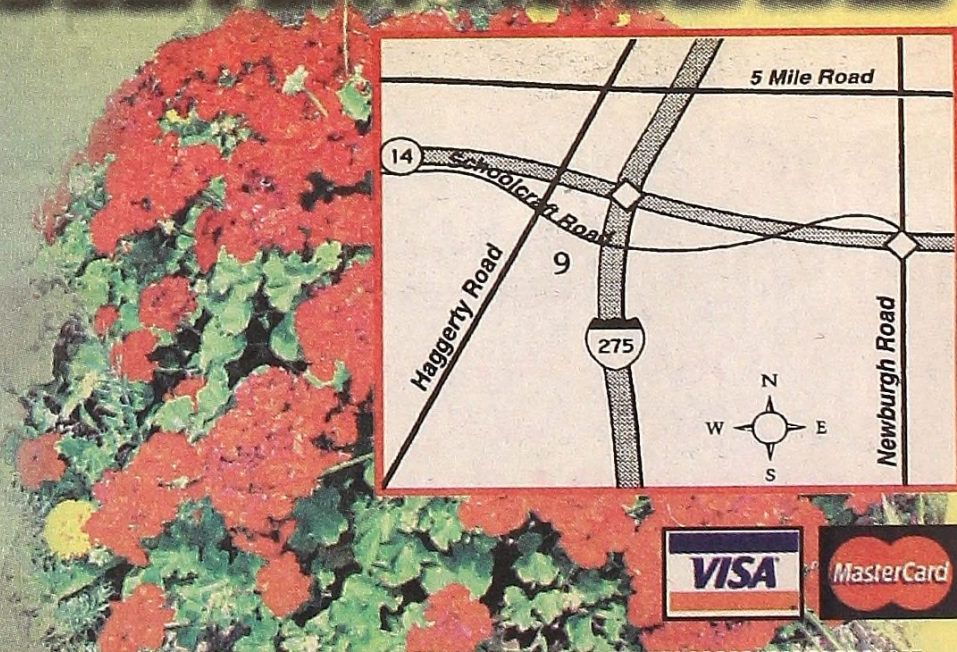
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